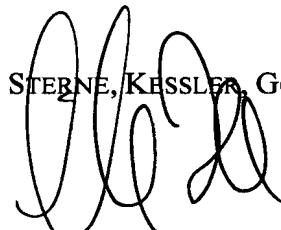


Remarks

Upon entry of the foregoing amendment, claims 1-40 are pending in this application. No claims are sought to be amended by the foregoing amendment. The priority statement (page 1, lines 11-15) in the specification is sought to be amended as shown. These changes are not believed to introduce new matter. Thus, it is respectfully requested that the amendments and additions be entered by the Examiner. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned representative if it is believed that an interview might be useful for any reason.

Respectfully submitted,



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Paragraph 1, lines 11-15:

This application claims the benefit of [the following:] U.S. Provisional Application No.60/147,129, filed on August 4, 1999; and this application is also a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application No. 09/525,615, filed on March 14, 2000; and this application is also a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application No. 09/526,041, filed on March 14, 2000, all of which are incorporated herein by reference in their entireties.